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I don't know that he's wrong, but I cannot prove that he is correct. And I actually...and I wanted to mention to you as well that three states actually stopped going forward with their laws, in order to wait and see what the federal government's no-call list was going to do. The state of California, with a population, a huge population, way more than ours...I think there's about 30 million people there...have decided to forego implementation of their statewide do not call list until they see what shakes out at the state...or, excuse me, at the federal level.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR BOURNE: So again, I don't believe that we need this. I think it's duplicative, as Senator Mines mentioned. If this doesn't hit all the calls, if it hits all the interstate calls, meaning calls coming in from other states, and allows a thriving industry in Nebraska to maintain these jobs, I don't think that's a bad thing. I mean, every one of us bemoans the fact that these telemarketers call during our dinner hour, or whatever. But each and every one of us would be absolutely delighted to have one of these call centers that creates jobs for our people, for Nebraskans in their districts. So again, I suggest to you that we don't need this bill. And I think that we should at least, at the very least, bracket it until next year to find out if truly the federal laws will take care of the problem. And if the federal laws take care of the problem, we don't need to make our government bigger. We don't need to expand government by one and a half people. And I do want to talk a little bit about the A bill coming up, because the A bill that we...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time.

SENATOR BOURNE: ...amended this morning was actually...or, yesterday morning, was actually in error.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time. But you may continue.

SENATOR BOURNE: Thank you.